



# Media Information

Columbus Division of Police  
Major Crimes Bureau / Homicide Unit

Date: March 7, 2022

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Ext:

Type of Offense/Incident: Stabbing - Homicide

Date: March 6, 2022

Time: 5:08pm

Location of Offense/Incident: 1500 Block of Republic Ave

Zone: 4

Precinct: 2

Incident Report #: 220157407

Cruiser District: 22CD

Victim: John Malinchak

Sex: Male

Race: White

Age: 33

Victim:

Sex:

Race:

Age:

Victim:

Sex:

Race:

Age:

Suspect: James Lumpkin Jr.

Address: Columbus, Ohio

☒ Arrested

☐ Warrant on File

Sex: Male

Race: White

Age: 55

Charges: Murder

Suspect:

Address:

☐ Arrested

☐ Warrant on File

Sex:

Race:

Age:

Charges:

**Incident Summary:** On March 6, 2022, Columbus Police Patrol Officers responded to the 1500 Block of Republic Ave. on a stabbing incident. Upon arrival, they located the victim, Mr. John Malinchak, lying in the street unresponsive. CFD Medic 13 transported the victim to Grant Hospital. Despite receiving life saving medical treatment, the victim succumbed to his injuries and was pronounced deceased at 5:44pm by the attending medical personnel. The suspect, James Lumpkin Jr., was apprehended and charged with murder for causing the death of John Malinchak. At this time, investigators believe some type of room mate disturbance occurred that led to the assault.

This incident is still under investigation.

Anyone with information regarding this incident, is asked to call Columbus Police Homicide Unit at (614) 645-4730 or Central Ohio Crime Stoppers at (614) 461-TIPS (8477). This is the 21st Homicide in Columbus, Ohio in Calendar Year 2022. Incident #220157407. Detective Brammer is the lead detective on the case and is being assisted by Detective Soviak.

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